

Table B-10a. Amount owed for undergraduate and graduate loans by 1999 and 2000 science and engineering master's degree recipients, by major field of degree: April 2001

Major field of 1999-2000 S&E master's degree	Total	Amount owed ¹			
		Did not owe	\$1-\$9,999	\$10,000-\$24,999	\$25,000 or more
All science and engineering fields.....	160,100	94,700	15,200	22,400	27,800
Total science.....	115,300	61,200	11,500	18,300	24,300
Computer and information sciences.....	24,300	19,800	1,900	1,400	S
Life and related sciences, total.....	16,200	7,500	1,800	3,300	3,600
Agricultural and food sciences.....	2,800	1,100	S	S	S
Biological sciences.....	11,100	5,500	S	2,100	2,600
Environmental life sciences including forestry science.....	2,300	S	S	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	6,200	4,200	S	900	S
Physical and related sciences, total.....	8,600	5,300	800	1,500	1,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	3,500	2,400	S	S	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	2,200	1,100	S	S	S
Physics and astronomy.....	2,700	1,800	S	S	S
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	33,000	12,700	3,500	6,400	10,400
Social and related sciences, total.....	27,100	11,600	3,000	4,900	7,500
Economics.....	4,600	2,700	S	S	S
Political science and related sciences.....	8,000	2,400	S	1,700	3,000
Sociology and anthropology.....	5,000	2,100	S	S	1,400
Other social sciences.....	9,500	4,500	S	1,700	2,300
Total engineering.....	44,800	33,500	3,800	4,100	3,500
Aerospace and related engineering.....	1,200	900	S	S	S
Chemical engineering.....	2,000	1,300	S	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering.....	6,300	4,300	900	S	S
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	16,400	12,600	1,200	1,400	1,200
Industrial engineering.....	3,200	2,600	S	S	S
Mechanical engineering.....	6,100	4,500	S	S	S
Other engineering.....	9,500	7,200	S	1,000	S

¹ The amount owed represents the amount of outstanding debt on the reference date of the survey for undergraduate and graduate degrees completed as of the reference date.

KEY: S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

NOTES: Details may not add to totals because of rounding. These estimates of 1999 and 2000 college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals receiving bachelor's or master's degrees in science or engineering fields and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2001